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## RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 18, delete lines 3-12 and insert the following paragraph:

Additional protein and nucleic sequences relating to the factors disclosed herein including GM-CSF can be obtained through the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI)- Genetic Sequence Data Bank (Genbank). In particular, sequence listings can be